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Cambodia--one of the three kingdoms into which French Indochina was carved up--has jolted the State Department by announcing its recognition of Communist China, stating that it can no longer refuse to recognize the existence or the economic importance of the Red China regime. The State Department, frankly shocked, anguished and astounded, issued a long formal statement saying that the recognition came as a complete surprise and that this country has received assurances that the government of Cambodia would remain aloof from Red China.

This, by the way, is one of the spots into which we have poured "zillions" of dollars down the rat hole of foreign aid. For example, untold miles of roadway that didn't even pretend to lead anywhere. The excuse of the Foreign Aid Administration for that one is that roadways, they say, of any kind are important in an underdeveloped country even if they don't lead anywhere, which may seem just a little naive to you in view of the fact that your taxes are what they are in order to pay the bill.

The interesting angle of this, however, is the complete surprise angle. How could it be such a complete surprise if the CIA, under Secretary of State Dulles' younger brother Allen, were on the job? Suez was a complete surprise. The CIA didn't know a thing about that until it was an accomplished fact. The coup d'etat in Iraq was a complete surprise. The CIA didn't know anything about that. Now this highly important development in Cambodia is a complete surprise, too. The CIA didn't know anything about that. In fact, the CIA might just as well not be operating at all for all of the intelligence information it seems to be providing.

Yet this is the organization, the Central Intelligence Agency, which is supposed to be our secret eyes and ears over the world. It is also the organization, as I have reminded you before, that must not be investigated because it is so delicate in its operations that the slightest leak of any kind about its personnel or its operations or its budget might be disastrous. The truth seems to be that it is so delicate, that it is not functioning at all if these results are any indication, and the idea that its over-all operations cannot